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A. Ports and Mercantile Marine:

1. The Yugoslav Government has set up a national victualling organization which will be responsible for supplying all national ships and foreign ships visiting Yugoslav ports. This organization will control food stores in Rijeka, Zara, Split and Dubrovnik.

2. The following is reported on activities in Yugoslav ports:

Kraljevac A new wharf is being constructed along the Tito Shipyards. During the months of January and February two small ships and five tugs were repaired in these shipyards.

Split Work on reinforcing the S. V. Duje Breakwater (northern sector) over a length of 150 meters is almost complete. Repairs to damage caused by the air bombardment of the Stalin Pier are still in progress. This damage affected a stretch of 100 meters of the pier.

Makarska Work on the construction of a landing pier to the west of the existing pier is in progress. This landing pier at present measures 64 meters in length and rises 4 meters above the water level.

Susak Repair work on the foundations of the Bacica Pier is still in progress; it is expected to be serviceable by the end of 1947. Work on the X September Pier is also in progress.

Rijeka Repair work on the Trieste Pier (120 meters long) is almost complete. Repair work on the Zagreb Pier and the Vladimir Gortan breakwater is still in progress. Repairing of the oil port installations has now begun.

Ploce In connection with the development of the port of Ploce (at the mouth of the Neretva River), an

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Sibenik The "Ugljenare" Pier has now been repaired.

B. Electricity:

3. Power Stations

- a. A plan for the construction of a hydro-electric power station at Plezzo is at present being studied at Aidussina.
- b. Work is in progress on the construction of the Bogadic hydro-electric power station in the vicinity of Sarajevo. Work has already been completed on the construction of water conduit pipes, 2,300 meters long. The electrical generating plant is already on location and consists of two turbines, together with their respective generators.
- c. Repair work is being undertaken at Javornik on a 100-ton turbine, developing 1,700 HP. This turbine will be sent to the Krk River hydro-electric power station.

4. High Tension Cables

- a. The electrical industry organization - "Elektrodalmacija" - proposes to construct high tension cables between Lozovec (near Sibenik) and Zara. Zara will thus receive its electric supplies from the Krk River hydro-electric power station. The thermo-electric power station at present functioning in Zara will be held in reserve.
- b. A high tension cable is under construction between Split and Sinj; it will be fed by the Tito hydro-electric power station on the Cetina River.
- c. A high tension cable linking the power station at Gruz (Dubrovnik area) with Komovac has been constructed.

5. Electrical Industry

- a. "Impol" works at Slovenska Bistrica is at present engaged in producing field telephone equipment, electric cables and electric motors. Construction of magnetoes is done by the Jesenice Steel Works.
- b. A factory at Kranj is engaged in work similar to that of "Impol".

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C. Roads and Bridges:

6. Roads

- a. Work is proceeding on the Dalmatian Coast on the construction of a military road which is designed to form part of a strategic road stretching from north to south along the whole Adriatic Coast.
- b. Repair work is proceeding on the following main Dalmatian roads: Zara-Benkovic, Sibenik-Trogir and Split-Makarska.

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- c. In connection with the construction of the Zagreb-Belgrade autobahn work is now in progress on the Zagreb-Ivanja-Rijeka-Rugvica sector.
- d. Work on the Ljubljana-Vrhnik road, which was suspended during the recent cold spell, has now been resumed. This road will have a cement/concrete foundation, and a plan is at present being studied, which will provide for the extension of this road as far as Logatec.

7. Road Bridges

- a. The road bridge over the Nisava River at Nis is in the process of being reconstructed. This work is being done in conjunction with the re-metalling of the Belgrade-Nis road.
- b. A new steel bridge over the Kupa River is being built at Karlovac, which will link the center of the city with the Banija Sector. The bridge will be about 100 meters long.
- c. A new bridge over the Glina River - 32 meters long - has been constructed on the Vojnic-Kladus road.

8. Bus Services

- a. A new bus service linking Logatec and Idria began on 22 March with the following timetable:

Logatec	Departure	0645	1615
Idria	Arrival	0755	1725
Idria	Departure	0415	1330
Logatec	Arrival	0525	1140

- b. The following is the timetable for bus service between Kranj and Ljubljana:

Kranj	Departure	1830
Ljubljana	Arrival	1915
Ljubljana	Departure	2330
Kranj	Arrival	0015

- c. A bus service between Senj-Karlobag-Oborvac will shortly be inaugurated. This service is designed to link up with existing Karlobag-Gospic bus services.

D. Inland Water Transport

9. Plans are being considered for widening the Bosna River between Sarajevo and Doboj, with the object of making it possible to use this stretch of the river for the transportation of goods by boat. The Bosna River is already open to traffic between Doboj and the confluence of the Bosna and Sava Rivers at Samac.

10. The Yugoslav Government is currently studying plans for the construction of a navigable canal - 50 kilometers in length - which will link Vukovar with Samac. The canal would follow this course: North of Vukovar, East of Vinkovci, along the railroad track up to a few kilometers to the West of Gradiste and on to Samac.

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Note: In conjunction with this plan the construction of a number of grain silos at Samac is being considered.

11. With a view to preventing the widespread damage caused each year by the flooding of the Drava in the Varazdin area and in the area where the Drava links up with the Mura and Trnava Rivers, the Government has ordered the construction of a number of flood dykes. Most of this work will take place in the following localities: Breze, Varazdin, Zabnik, Stefanovec, Prelog, Legrad, Komarnica, Novacak, Levec, Medvedicka, Bukovlje, Brestic, Cickovina, Hrznica, Kotoriba and at Dekanovec on the Mura.

E. Industry and Mines:

12. The "Gradis" (National Contractors) is at present responsible for the construction of the following enterprises in Slovenia:

Ljubljana	- "Litostroj" Factory
Maribor	- Hydro-electric power station
Medvode	- " " " "
Mosta (Gorensko)	- Dam for the hydro-electric power station
Ljubljana-Vrhnika	- Cement road.

13. "Gradis" will shortly begin construction on the following:

Celje	- Wood workshops
Trzic	- Enlargement of spinning mill
Jarsa	- Pharmaceutical products factory
Zalog	- Silos (50 meters high)
Novo Mesto	- Weaving mill.

14. The Ministry of Industry in Slovenia has announced that, as of 15 March 1947, the Ministry will be reorganized so as to provide for ten Directorates, each under the control of a General Director responsible directly to the Ministry of Industry.

Directorate of Electrical Industries and Electrification	
"	Textile Industry
"	Leather Industry
"	Metallurgical Industry
"	Chemical Industry
"	Timber Industry
"	Building Industry
"	Printing Industry
"	Mining Industry
"	Conserved Food Industries

15. The Government is reported to be studying plans for the creation of a highly developed industrial center in the Zenica iron and coal mining area in Bosnia.

Note: Zenica is located on the proposed Samac-Sarajevo railroad link.

16. A new asphalt mine has been open at Ulcinj in Montenegro.

Note: Asphalt mines are known to exist only in Vrgorac (west of Metkovic) 30 kilometers from the nearest RR station and in Bustrenje (Macedonia) 7 kilometers from the nearest RR station. It is also understood that natural asphalt deposits exist in Selenice (about 20 kilometers east of Valona, Albania).

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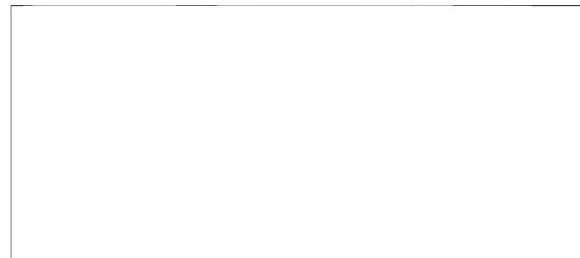
17. A new weaving mill is being constructed at Projuplje in Serbia.
18. A new paper factory, located in Skoplje, has just begun production.

Note: [redacted] this is the only factory of its type in Macedonia and that the machinery installed was manufactured in Yugoslavia.

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19. The Krapina mines (Varazdin area, Croatia) are in the process of being mechanized and modernized.

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